

What is claimed is:

1. A currency control system comprising:

a game-related device having a currency holding section for holding currency;

a portable safe to be attached to or removed from said game-related device,

5 functioning as said currency holding section when attached to said game-related device; and

a currency control device capable of attaching and removing said portable safe, said currency control device having at least one of the two functions of holding currency in said portable safe and of retrieving currency held in said portable safe  
10 from said portable safe.

2. A currency control system according to claim 1, wherein said currency holding section has at least one of the two functions of holding currency inserted from outside the device and of holding currency to be discharged outside the device.

3. A currency control system according to claim 1, comprising a system control  
15 computer to perform unitary control of quantities of currency in said game-related device, said portable safe, and said currency control device.

4. A currency control system according to claim 1, comprising an anomaly detection device for detecting anomaly occurring in said portable safe.

5. A currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly  
20 detection device detects anomaly in the state that said portable safe is not attached to said game-related device or said currency control device.

6. A currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device is provided on said portable safe.

7. A currency control system according to claim 4, comprising an anomaly  
25 notifying section for giving out anomaly notification when said anomaly detection device detects anomaly.

8. A currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device detects destructive anomaly for said portable safe.

9. A currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly  
30 detection device detects anomaly of too long period during which said portable safe is

neither attached to said game-related device nor said currency control device.

10. A currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device detects anomaly in the position of said portable safe.

11. A currency control system according to claim 10, wherein said positional  
5 anomaly detection device is provided at a separate position from said portable safe.

12. A currency control system according to claim 1, wherein attaching and removing said portable safe to and from said game-related device or said currency control device are conditioned that a card of an authentic operator is inserted into said game-related device or said currency control device.

10 13. A currency control system according to claim 12, wherein said operator's card has an operator's code recorded thereon, said system control computer has the operator's code registered in advance therein and corresponding to said operator, and the agreement of said operator's code recorded on said operator's card with said operator's code registered in said system control computer is at least one of  
15 conditions for judging the authenticity.

14. A currency control system according to claim 13, wherein said operator's code recorded on said operator's card is comprised of an operator's peculiar code peculiar to said operator and a random number generated and affixed to said peculiar code when a specified event occurs.

20 15. A currency control system according to claim 1, wherein said portable safe is capable of exchanging information in wireless communication with said game-related device to which said portable safe is attached or with said currency control device to which said portable safe is attached.

25 16. A portable safe capable of attaching to and removing from a game-related device used by players and capable of attaching to and removing from a currency control device for dispensing and retrieving currency, comprising:

a housing for holding currency; and

an antenna provided on said housing to exchange information in wireless communication with said game-related device or said currency control device;

30 wherein said housing is provided with a currency insertion window section and

a currency discharging window section and has a shutter plate capable of closing said currency insertion window section and a shutter plate capable of closing said currency discharging window section, a lock mechanism for locking said shutter plates, an unlocking mechanism for unlocking said lock mechanism upon detecting the attachment of said portable safe to said game-related device or said currency control device; and

wherein said portable safe functions as a currency holding section of said game-related device when attached to said game-related device and as a currency holding section of said currency control device when attached to said currency control device.

17. A portable safe according to claim 16, provided with an anomaly detection device for detecting anomaly occurring in said portable safe.

18. A portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects anomaly occurring in the state that said portable safe is neither attached to said game-related device nor to said currency control device.

19. A portable safe according to claim 17, comprising an anomaly notifying section for giving out anomaly notification when said anomaly detection device detects anomaly.

20. A portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects destructive anomaly for said portable safe.

21. A portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects anomaly of too long period during which said portable safe is nether attached to said game-related device nor said currency control device.

22. A portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects anomaly in the position of said portable safe.